



# LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION

## ACTION MINUTES

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT  
LAND USE PLANNING DIVISION

**Date:** Thursday, May 2, 2019

**Time:** 7:05 PM

**Place:** 1947 Center Street, Multi-Purpose Room (Basement Level)

**Attendees:** Approximately 8

### 1. ROLL CALL

Matthew Abranches Da Silva  
Christopher Adams  
Phil Allen  
Roya Chagnon  
Steven Finacom  
Paul Schwartz  
(Absent: Crandall, O'Malley)

### 2. EX-PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

Chairperson Finacom disclosed that he met with the the architect for the Structural Alteration Permit application at 1915 Fourth Street on site, prior to their application submittal, to discuss the building.

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT on Non-Agenda and Information Items – None.

### 4. AGENDA CHANGES

Motion: To move item 5A to occur after item 5C.

M/S/C: Finacom/Adams

Vote: 6-0-0-2

Yes: Abranches Da Silva, Adams, Allen, Chagnon, Finacom, Schwartz; No: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Crandall, O'Malley.

\*\* INDICATES THAT THE LANDMARKS PRESERVATION COMMISSION RECEIVED DOCUMENTS (NOTICES OF DECISION, STAFF REPORTS, APPLICATION MATERIALS OR CORRESPONDENCE) AS PART OF THE PACKET THAT WAS DELIVERED PRIOR TO THIS MEETING.

**5. ACTION****A. 2140 Shattuck Avenue – Structural Alteration Permit (#LMSAP2018-0004) application for the Chamber of Commerce/Wells Fargo Building\*\***

Open the public hearing and consider a request to make exterior alterations at a City Landmark property, in accordance with BMC Sections 3.24.220 and 23E.12.020.

Motion: To take a recess, visit the project site and observe lighting demonstration.

M/S/C: Finacom/Schwartz

Vote: 6-0-0-2

Yes: Abraches Da Silva, Adams, Allen, Chagnon, Finacom, Schwartz; No: none;

Abstain: none; Absent: Crandall, O'Malley

*[9:05 PM Recess; meeting resumed at 9:28 PM]*

Motion: To approve the project as proposed with the Findings and Conditions, as prepared by staff, and to note that this approval is not to be interpreted as setting a precedent for downtown lighting of other tall buildings.

M/S/C: Adams/Schwartz

Vote: 6-0-0-2

Yes: Abraches Da Silva, Adams, Allen, Chagnon, Finacom, Schwartz; No: none;

Abstain: none; Absent: Crandall, O'Malley.

**B. 1915 Fourth Street – Structural Alteration Permit (#LMSAP2019-0003) application for Spenger's Fish Grotto**

Continue the public hearing and consider a request to make exterior alterations at a City Landmark property, in accordance with BMC Sections 3.24.220 and 23E.12.020.

Speakers: 1

Motion: To approve the project and proposed storefronts without transoms, and to retain and/or relocate existing portholes all within west elevation.

M/S: Schwartz/Abranches Da Silva

Substitute Motion: To authorize the proposed roof replacement subject to building permit approval, form an Ad Hoc Subcommittee to review the storefront proposal and report back with recommendations for improvement, and to request copies of the previous SAPs for this site and building.

M/S/C: Finacom/Schwartz

Vote: 6-0-0-2

Yes: Abraches Da Silva, Adams, Allen, Chagnon, Finacom, Schwartz; No: none;

Abstain: none; Absent: Crandall, O'Malley.

Motion: To appoint Commissioners Abranches Da Silva, Allen, Chagnon, and Schwartz to serve on the Subcommittee.

M/S/C: Finacom/Schwartz

Vote: 6-0-0-2

Yes: Abraches Da Silva, Adams, Allen, Chagnon, Finacom, Schwartz; No: none;

Abstain: none; Absent: Crandall, O'Malley.

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**C. Report to City Council on Commission Activities**

Consider preparing and sending a supplemental report to City Council on the Commission's activities and achievements during the previous year, in accordance with BMC Section 3.24.090.

**6. AD HOC Subcommittee or Liaison Comments:** Opportunity reports on status of projects for which the LPC has established a subcommittee or liaison. (Note: Site will come off the subcommittee list upon approval of a Certificate of Occupancy)

**A. ZAB Design Review Committee (SF)****B. Berkeley Rose Garden (CA, PS)****C. Landmark Policies and Procedures (BO, SF)****D. Resiliency Strategy (KC, BO)****E. Grants (CA, SF)****F. Measure T-1 (PA, SB, SF)****G. 2740 Telegraph - Structural Alteration Permit (CA, SF)****H. 2626 Bancroft Way & 2625 Durant – UC Berkeley Referral (SF, PS)****I. 1440 & 1450 Hawthorne Terrace – Pending Landmark Applications (SF, BO, PS)**

**7. ACTION: Approval of Action Minutes\*\* – April 4, 2019 Meeting Action Minutes**

Motion: To approve the April 4, 2019 draft Action Minutes, with a revision to item 2 to read: "Chairperson Finacom disclosed that he met with the the architect for the Structural Alteration Permit application at 1915 Fourth Street on site, prior to their application submittal, to discuss the project building."

M/S/C: Finacom/Abranches Da Silva

Vote: 6-0-0-2

Yes: Abraches Da Silva, Adams, Allen, Chagnon, Finacom, Schwartz; No: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Crandall, O'Malley.

**8. INFORMATION REPORTS** Commissioners may ask for discussion to be scheduled on a future agenda (per Brown Act, no deliberation or final action may be taken).

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. Email transmittal from Richard Jackson** re: the UC Upper Hearst Development Project, received April 6, 2019

**10. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A.** Commissioner Adams announced that Katinka Wyle, a resident of the Greenwood Commons has provided the Commission and the City with copies of the 'Living Modern' book by Waverly Lowell.

**11. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. City staff's comments to UC** re: Supplemental DEIR for the Upper Hearst Development, dated April 12, 2019 (456 pages; provided as *web link* only) – document can be found at:

[https://www.cityofberkeley.info/uploadedFiles/Planning\\_and\\_Development/Level\\_3\\_-\\_LPC/2019-04-12-City%20of%20Berkeley%20Comments%20on%20UC%20SEIR%20Final.pdf](https://www.cityofberkeley.info/uploadedFiles/Planning_and_Development/Level_3_-_LPC/2019-04-12-City%20of%20Berkeley%20Comments%20on%20UC%20SEIR%20Final.pdf)

**12. FUTURE COUNCIL CALENDAR ITEMS - none**

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**13. POTENTIAL INITIATIONS**

**14. CURRENT LAND USE PROJECTS (BMC SECTION 23B.24.030.B)**

**15. ADJOURN – 9:42 PM**

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

M/S/C: Schwartz/Chagnon

Vote: 6-0-0-2

Yes: Abraches Da Silva, Adams, Allen, Chagnon, Finacom, Schwartz; No: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Crandall, O'Malley.

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